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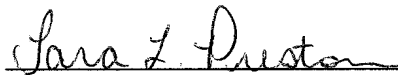
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For: RIBBONED POLARIZATION-MAINTAINING FIBER AND  
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR, AND  
POLARIZATION-MAINTAINING OPTICAL FIBER ARRAY  
USING THE SAME

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**AMENDMENT\***

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 19, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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\* An RCE is being filed herewith.